

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Jeanne M. DuPont, Treasurer **HECLA Mining Company Political Action Fund** 6500 N Mineral Drive, Suite 200 Coeur D'Alene, ID 83815

Response Due Date: March 27, 2006

Identification Number: C00124016

Reference:

Mid-Year Report (1/1/05-6/30/05), Year End Report (7/1/05-12/31/05)

Dear Ms. DuPont:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above. An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) of your report discloses contributions received through what appears to be a payroll deduction plan. Please amend your report to disclose the total amount deducted for the entire reporting period for each individual. 11 CFR §104.8(b) Please refer to the enclosed sample of properly reported payroll deductions.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please